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Ninth District 2009 Report

Keeping up Appearances

I have been a proud resident of the Ninth District for nearly forty years. During that time I have enjoyed working along side my neighbors as a volunteer to help keep our community a great place in which to live. As Ninth District Council representative for the past eight years, I am honored to help guide the City as Redevelopment makes wonderful improvements here in the "Top of the Town".

I would like to thank those of you in the Ninth District who keep your own property in good condition and report neighborhood concerns to my office and/or to appropriate City Departments, and to you who volunteer to help beautify our neighborhoods by picking up trash, plant, weed and prune community flower gardens.

What We Do

In addition to taking action to report to City Departments any neighborhood concerns communicated to me by my constituents, I am pro-active toward reducing neighborhood eyesores by having a staff person take monthly tours for Project N.I.C.E. (Neighborhood Improvement and Clean up Effort) of each of the eight neighborhood areas I have drawn within the district.

The letters are intended as a friendly reminder of the City's Municipal Code Standards, to advise residents to correct things that may be in violation and to help them avoid having Code Enforcement become involved. The most common reasons letters are sent are for:

- Overgrown vegetation
- Vehicles parked on lawns

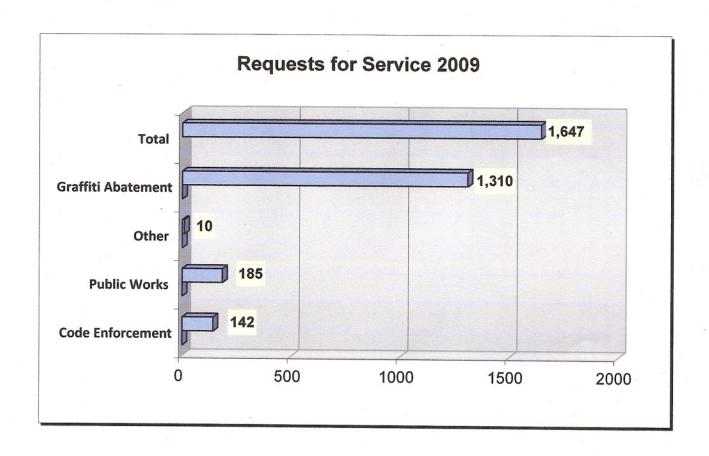
- Trash cans left out
- Excess trash left on the curb

If, by the next monthly tour the concern has not been noticeably improved, my office may generate a request to Code Enforcement to take appropriate action.

While touring the district, items the City is responsible for maintaining are also noted and requests for service are made to the appropriate City Department. These include:

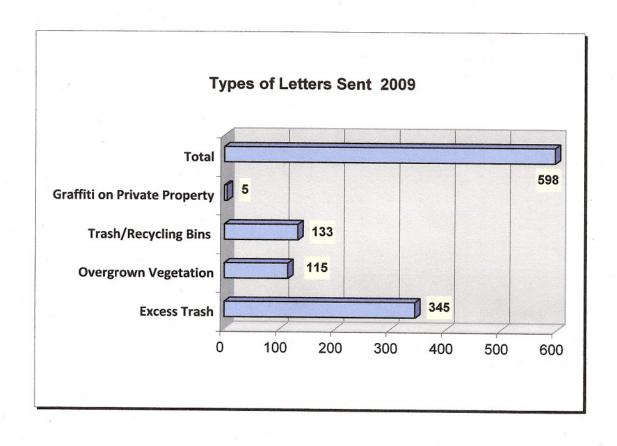
- Missing/faded/damaged road signs
- Potholes
- Damaged or overgrown street trees
- Dumped items
- Sidewalk/curb/gutter repair
- Graffiti

Requests for Service from City Departments 2009				
Code Enforcement	property maintenance	142		
Public Works	sidewalks, signs, potholes	185		
Other	miscellaneous	10		
Graffiti Abatement	remove/document graffiti	1,310		
Total		1,647		



Types of Letters Sent 2009

Туре	Number	
Excess Trash	345	
Overgrown Vegetation	115	
Trash/Recycling Bins	133	
Graffiti on Private Property	5	
Total	598	



Project N.I.C.E. Letters by Area

2009

Area Boundaries	Area	Letters
north: Artesia Blvd, east: Coke Ave,		
south: South St, west: Paramount Blvd	Area 1	118
Four small, unconnected sections. *See below.	Area 2-3	59
north: Artesia Blvd, east: Cherry Ave, south: South St,		
west: Orange Ave	Area 4	141
north: Artesia Blvd, east: Orange Ave, south: South St,		
west: Atlantic Ave	Area 5	83
north: City border at 72nd St & 70th St, east: Cherry Ave,		
south: Artesia Blvd, west: Atlantic & Atlantic Place	Area 6	67
north: Artesia Blvd, east: Atlantic Ave,		
south: South Street & 57th St, west: Chestnut Ave & Deforest Ave	Area 8	49
north: Artesia Blvd, east: White Ave		
south: Gordon St & Victoria St, west: Rahn Ave	Area 9	27
north: City border at SCE property, east: Coachella Ave,		
south: Artesia Blvd, west: City border at Delta Ave	Area 10	54
* Section A north: 70th St, east: Downey Ave,		
south: Artesia Blvd, west: Newton Ave.	Total	598
*Section B north: 70th St, east: Terminal Ave,		
south: Curry St, west: Paramount Blvd.		
*Section C north: South St, east: City border at alley,		
south: City border at Candlewood, west: Paramount Blvd.	·	
*Section D north: 65th St, east: Terminal St & Raymond Ave,		
south: Curry St, west: Cherry Ave	38	

